

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-33 (canceled).

1 Claim 34 (currently amended): A method for screening a
2 compound capable of promoting or inhibiting the activity of
3 a polypeptide, the method comprising steps of: allowing an
4 expression vector comprising a polynucleotide encoding the
5 polypeptide ~~of claim 1~~ comprising an amino acid sequence
6 having homology of at least 90% to any one of the
7 polypeptides described in the following (A) to (L), or a
8 salt thereof:

9 (A) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
10 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
11 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 2, or a polypeptide
12 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
13 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID
14 NO: 1;

15 (B) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
16 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
17 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 2 and having activity of
18 regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
19 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
20 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
21 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
22 ID NO: 1 and having activity of regulating the transcription

23 of a gene that is under the control of a cAMP responsive
24 element;

25 (C) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
26 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
27 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 4, or a polypeptide
28 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
29 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
30 ID NO: 3;

31 (D) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
32 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
33 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 4 and having activity of
34 regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
35 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
36 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
37 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID
38 NO: 3 and having activity of regulating the transcription of
39 a gene that is under the control of a cAMP responsive
40 element;

41 (E) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
42 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
43 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 6, or a polypeptide
44 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
45 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
46 ID NO: 5;

47 (F) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
48 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
49 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 6 and having activity of
50 regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
51 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
52 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
53 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
54 ID NO: 5 and having activity of regulating the transcription

55 of a gene that is under the control of a cAMP responsive
56 element;

57 (G) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
58 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
59 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 8, or a polypeptide
60 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
61 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
62 ID NO: 7;

63 (H) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
64 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
65 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 8 and having activity of
66 regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
67 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
68 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
69 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
70 ID NO: 7 and having activity of regulating the transcription
71 of a gene that is under the control of a cAMP responsive
72 element;

73 (I) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
74 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
75 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 10, or a polypeptide
76 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
77 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
78 ID NO: 9;

79 (J) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
80 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
81 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 10 and having activity
82 of regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
83 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
84 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
85 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
86 ID NO: 9 and having activity of regulating the transcription

87 of a gene that is under the control of a cAMP responsive
88 element;

89 (K) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
90 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
91 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 12, or a polypeptide
92 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
93 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
94 ID NO: 11; and

95 (L) a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence
96 identical to or substantially identical to the amino acid
97 sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 12 and having activity
98 of regulating the transcription of a gene that is under the
99 control of a cAMP responsive element, or a polypeptide
100 comprising an amino acid sequence encoded by cDNA capable of
101 hybridizing to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ
102 ID NO: 11 and having activity of regulating the
103 transcription of a gene that is under the control of a cAMP
104 responsive element

105 and a reporter gene that is under the control of a cAMP
106 responsive element to come into contact with a test
107 compound; and detecting an activity of promoting or
108 inhibiting the activity of the polypeptide.

Claims 35-72 (canceled).